

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

[0015] c) recovery of the base metals from the leach solution of b)(i) or b)(ii) and recovery of the PGM values from the residue of b)(i) or the leach solution of b)(ii), depending on the selective leaching in step b), wherein the pregnant solution or leachate containing the PGM values and base metals is a cyanide solution or leachate.